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DEPARTMENT FOR EB, AF/RA, AID/AFR/EA

E.O.12356: DECL: OADR
TAGS: EAID, EFIN, EAGR, EINV, MOPS, RW
SUBJECT: TURF WARS IN KIGALI: THE IBRD AND UNDP

REF: KIGALI 2009

1. CONFIDENTIAL -- ENTIRE TEXT.
2. WORLD BANK COUNTRY ECONOMIST ESPERANZA DURAN (PROTECT) CALLED ON CHARGE TODAY AT THE BEHEST OF BANK HEADQUARTERS. THE OFFICIAL MESSAGE WAS STRAIGHTFORWARD:
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THE IBRD WOULD SUPPORT THE DECEMBER UNDP ROUNDTABLE.UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE
REVIEW AUTHORITY: CHARLES L DARIS
CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL REASON: 1.4(D)
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3. SHE SAID THAT THE GOR, WHICH HAD ORIGINALLY APPROACHED UNDP TO REQUEST THE MEETING, WAS NOW HAVING SECOND THOUGHTS. SENIOR GOR FINANCE OFFICIALS HAD RECENTLY TOLD HER AND CLAIMED THAT THEY HAD THOUGHT THE ROUNDTABLE WAS A REVIVAL OF THE EARLIER ABORTIVE ROUNDTABLE IN WHICH THE IBRD WAS TO HAVE PLAYED A LARGER ROLE.

SHE SAID THAT THE IBRD HAD DRAWN UP
PREREQUISITES FOR FINANCIAL FLOWS,
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INCLUDING DEVALUATION (TO REFLECT MARKET EXCHANGE RATES),
RESETTLEMENT OF IDP'S AND BASIC RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS.
SHE THOUGHT THAT THE USG HAD DONE WELL TO CONDITION
PAYMENT OF USD 2.5 MILLION IN IBRD ARREARS ON UNAMIR AND
UNHRC HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICER ACCESS TO THE ENTIRE
COUNTRYSIDE, IN HER VIEW A USEFUL AND ATTAINABLE
CONDITION.

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7. DURAN SAID THAT ONE DONOR READY TO ASSIST WAS THE EU WHICH HAD ECU 130 MILLION (INCLUDING ECU 35 MILLION IN STABEX BOP FUNDS) IN OLD MONEY THAT IT WANTED TO DISBURSE NOW.

8. DURAN COMMENTED BRIEFLY ON OTHER SUBJECTS. SHE ASKED IF CHARGE HAD HEARD OF AN RPA TAX ON SMALL BUSINESSES IN KIGALI. HE HAD NOT. SHE PRAISED RPA DISCIPLINE, NOTING THAT SHE FELT MORE SECURE HERE THAN SHE HAD IN A RECENT VISIT TO BURUNDI.

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